Module: 3 Basic Camera Shots

**Target Question:**

Is it true that the most common way to film or videotape any scene is to use long shots, medium shots, and close-ups? Is it true that using long shots, medium shots, and close-ups is a very good way to cover all of the angles of the main characters in a scene?

**Target Task 1:**

1. Prove that using the 3 basic camera shots is the most common way to film or videotape any scene. -I believe using the 3 basic camera shots is the most common way to film or videotape a scene because they are used most on T.V and in movies. Each one gives you a piece of a view. Depending on the situation witch view you would like to use to help make the movie/film better is up to you.

2. Prove that using long shots, medium shots, and close-ups is a very good way to cover all of the angles

of the main characters in a scene.

-I believe that using long shots, medium shots, and close-ups is a very good way to cover all of the angles of the main characters in a scene because a close up is very good for conversations. Medium shot are good for showing that they are walking but nothing to big. The long shot is used for showing the person’s body, cause they are most likely doing something in this scene. (Skating, and jumping) These 3 shots give a good choice of how you would like to shoot your video.

**Research:** Find two sources (subject matter expert/teacher or another student) that prove your belief (hypothesis/thesis statement).

Source 1=Mr. P

Source 2= Sean Roberts

**Opposite Test:**

Design an experiment/test in which you try to prove that using 3 basic camera shots is not a good way to cover all of the angles of the main character in a scene. Find another way to cover all the angles in a scene.

Experiment: In my experiment instead of using the 3 basic camera shots, I covered all of the angles in the scene by acting out a scene for each of the view. We made a serious scene for the close-up, for the medium shot we made two people walk and talk at the same time. For the long shot we made one of our group members run off scene from a man.

Results: This worked out because they all made really good shots. If we were to make a movie with these scenes it could be well put together.

**Analyze your findings and Draw Conclusions:**

After my experiments (proving the Target Task) and research, I believe my hypothesis is to true because with these 3 basic camera shots you can make a good movie or short film. There is so many ways you can take these shots and use them to help create your video.